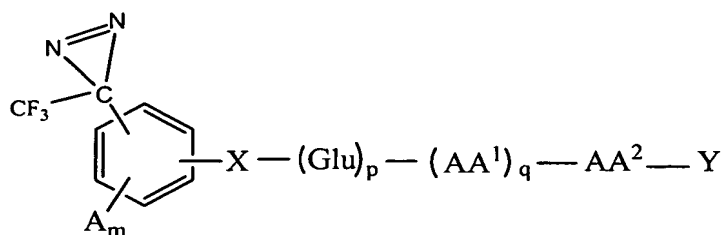


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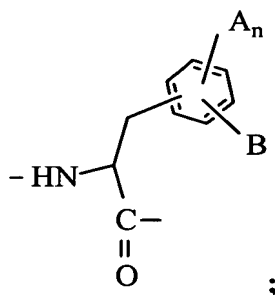
1. A compound having the formula I, or a salt thereof:



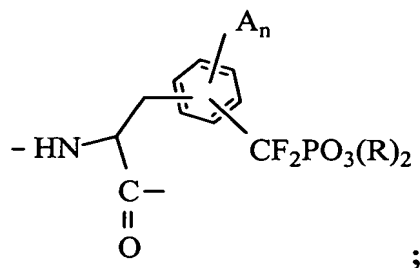
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wherein Glu is a glutamic acid residue wherein the gamma-carboxy group of said glutamic acid residue is a free carboxylic acid or a C₁₋₃ alkyl ester;

AA¹ is an amino acid residue having the formula

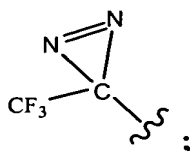


AA² is an amino acid residue having the formula



X is a difunctional group selected from CH₂ and carbonyl;

Y is selected from the group consisting of OH and NR₂;
 Each R is independently selected from the group consisting of H and C₁₋₆ alkyl, said C₁₋₆ alkyl being linear or branched;
 A is a substituent selected from the group consisting of CH₃, CF₃, and halogen;
 Each B is a substituent selected from the group consisting of H, -CF₂PO₃(R)₂ and



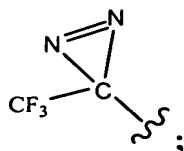
m is 0, 1, or 2;
 each n is independently 0, 1, or 2;
 p is 0, 1, or 2; and
 q is 0, 1, or 2.

2. A compound of Claim 1, wherein

Glu is a glutamic acid residue, wherein the gamma carboxy group of said glutamic acid residue is a free carboxylic acid or a methyl ester;
 m is 0 or 1;
 each n is independently 0 or 1; and
 p is 0 or 1.

3. A compound of Claim 2, wherein

Each A is a halogen independently selected from F, Cl, Br, and I;
 Each group B is a substituent selected from -CF₂PO₃H₂ and



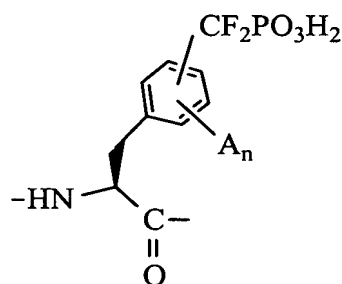
Y is NH₂;

R is H; and
q is 0 or 1.

4. A compound of Claim 3, wherein Glu is a glutamic acid residue in which
5 the gamma carboxy group is a free carboxylic acid residue.

5. A compound of Claim 1, wherein AA¹ and AA² are each phenylalanine
residues, wherein the substituents on the phenyl ring of said phenylalanine residues are as
defined in Claim 1.
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6. A compound of Claim 1, wherein AA¹ and AA² are amino acid residues
having the formula

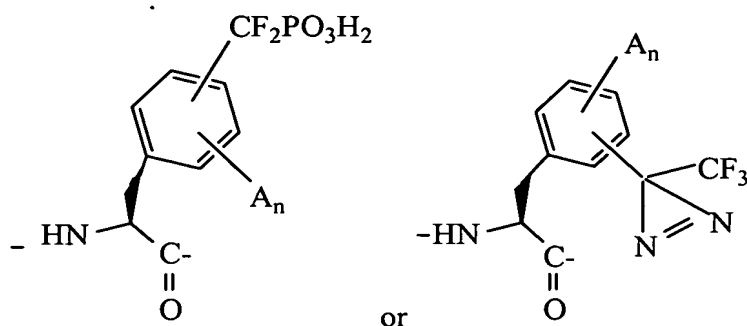


15 Wherein each A is independently selected from the group consisting of Br
and I;

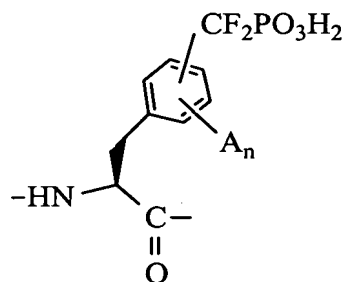
m is 0 or 1;
each n is independently 0 or 1;
p is 0 or 1;
q is 0 or 1; and
Y is NH₂.

20 7. A compound according to Claim 1, wherein AA¹ is an amino acid residue
having the formula:

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wherein Glu is a glutamic acid residue, the gamma-carboxy group of said glutamic acid residue being a free carboxylic acid or methyl ester;
AA² is a phenylalanine residue of the formula



Each A is independently selected from the group consisting of Br and I;
Y is -NH₂;
R is H;
m is 0 or 1;
each n is independently 0 or 1;
p is 0 or 1; and
q is 0 or 1.

8. A compound of Claim 7, wherein Glu is a glutamic acid residue in which the gamma carboxy group is a free carboxylic acid residue.

9. A compound of Claim 1, or a salt thereof, having a structural formula selected from the group consisting of:

